



THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 7, 1903.

OCCASIONALLY there are movements in certain quarters for minimizing the cost of funerals, and the promoters usually practical arguments against the prevailing practice of making unnecessary expenditures while engaged in the sad duty of laying the dead to rest. At its monthly meeting, the Reading, Pa., Ministerial Association adopted the report of its committee on funeral reforms. It embodies resolutions discommending Sunday funerals and lavish display at interments. Its suggestions are, no eulogy, no flowers, private interment, economy in dress, casket, etc.; that public exposure of the remains be omitted, and that the family refrain from undue expressions of grief, and the long continued wearing of the habiliments of mourning. There are certain items, at least, in the above that could be omitted without any disrespect to the dead. Some who are in a position to meet lavish funeral expenses set examples which many, in no wise able to expend money, imagine they are compelled by custom to imitate. Bereavements are sad enough under any conditions, and when sorrowing ones are plunged into heavy debt as well as grief their condition is the more deplorable. Due respect should be shown to the dead and this can be done in a conservative and common-sense manner.

ADMINISTRATION republicans in Alabama are endeavoring to amalgamate with the negroes and send a solid Roosevelt delegation to the next republican convention. A conference was held at Montgomery yesterday at which the spirit of southern Jim Crow laws was observed, the whites being seated on one side of the hall and the negroes on the other. The conference repudiated the action of the Birmingham convention in barring negroes. The administration republicans of Alabama are doubtless of the same ilk as those in other portions of the South. The negro is used by such individuals at times and ignored at others. Should Roosevelt be nominated and re-elected Sambo will find he is not in it when the time for the distribution of the spoils rolls around.

THE STRUGGLE between certain European nations for control of the supposed Royal Ottoman Bagdad Railway, England's claim to suzerainty over the Persian Gulf and the spread of the war cloud in the Sultan's possessions are directing the attention of the world to the cradle of the race, where bloody battles occurred in classic days. When Benjamin Disraeli was prime minister of England a quarter of a century ago he realized the importance of making the island of Cyprus a British possession. As time goes on the wisdom of the deceased premier becomes more apparent. The theatre of war will sooner or later be removed to the Orient and sanguinary scenes, it is believed, will equal those of thousands of years ago.

ADVISES FROM Breathitt county, Ky., the scene of the assassination of Attorney J. B. Marcan, are to the effect that a virtual reign of terror exists in that part of the State. The plot to assassinate Mr. Marcan was formed in an unlicensed liquor saloon, and those who can throw any light on the premeditated murder or who can aid in the apprehension of the assassin dread a fate similar to that of the unfortunate attorney and are therefore dumb as oysters. As has heretofore been stated, this is the second assassination which has occurred in Kentucky in the past year or two, and these acts are meeting the condemnation they deserve.

It is barely possible that John Farson, of Chicago, wishes he had not offered a legacy of \$1,000,000, payable at his death, to the servant who, living in his household through the years to come, would find in character and service certain ideal requirements, among these being neatness, ability to cook, strength, modesty in dress, good temper, prudence, diplomacy in all things, refusal to fattle, knowledge of nursing. Mr. Farson is paying the penalty. The mails have already brought him enough letters to keep several private secretaries at work for years.

IF IT were not aggravating it would be amusing—these continual cries of "fraud" by republicans whenever they are defeated. The latest instance is the Baltimore city election in which Mr. McLane, the democratic candidate for mayor, was elected. Forthwith the republicans cry "fraud" and say they will contest. The idea of a party which has stolen everything from a county magistracy to the presidency of the United States prating about election frauds is enough to make a cow laugh.

THE MONROE DOCTRINE has reached the Persian Gulf, England having assumed the same attitude toward that part of the world as the United States has toward the western hemisphere. The East, it is believed, will at some time become the theatre of international complications, and English statesmen,

far-seeing as they are, have, for a long time been staking out the world in preparation for this conflict.

THE EXPERIENCE of a three-year-old boy who fell out of the window of an elevated car in New York yesterday, alighted on the guard rail and then tumbled unhurt into the arms of a man in the street will cause many who believe little ones in many cases have guardian angels to be more pronounced in their convictions.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]

Washington, D. C., May 7.
At a conference at the Arlington Hotel this morning between Minister Bowen, representing Venezuela, and Ambassador Herbert and Minister von Sternberg, representing Great Britain and Germany, it was finally agreed that the protocol of preferential treatment to the Hague shall be signed at the British Embassy at 6 o'clock tonight. Among its provisions are the following: The question as to whether or not Italy, Great Britain and Germany are entitled to preferential treatment in the payment of their claims against Venezuela shall be subject for final decision to the tribunal at the Hague. The Emperor of Russia shall be invited to name and appoint from the members of the permanent court of The Hague three arbitrators to constitute the tribunal which is to determine and settle the questions submitted to it under and by virtue of this protocol. None of the arbitrators as appointed shall be a subject or citizen of the signatory powers. The court shall meet on the first day of September, 1903, and shall render its decision within six months thereafter. The court shall decide how, when and by whom the costs of this arbitration shall be paid. Any nations having claims against Venezuela may join as a party in the arbitration provided for by this protocol.

It is said here that Secretary Shaw returned from his recent visit to the President chagrined and disappointed. He went West with the intention of removing from office William Penn Nixon, Collector of Customs, and Assistant United States Treasurer Williams at Chicago. He returned with the information that neither man will be disturbed in his position for the present. The President has had some difficulty in restraining Secretary Shaw's efforts to reorganize the Treasury Department, and has intimated a wish that the Secretary abate his activity at least while Mr. Roosevelt is absent from Washington. Notwithstanding this, Secretary Shaw proceeded with an investigation of both Williams and Nixon and had succeeded in collecting a mass of information which, he thought, would aid him in obtaining their removal. It is understood that when he presented his proposition, the President not only coldly received it, but emphatically declined to accede to Mr. Shaw's wishes.

The Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. H. A. Taylor, is seriously ill with an attack of intestinal indigestion. During his absence and that of the Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Robert B. Armstrong is acting Secretary of the Treasury. This is the first time since his appointment that he has acted in this capacity.
The Monitor Arkansas, which was a feature of the St. Louis show last week, is held up in the Mississippi river by reason of low water. Her commander, Lieutenant Commander Vreeland, reported the Navy Department from St. Genevieve, Missouri, this morning that the channel up which she came was choked five miles below that point and that the new channel was 11 feet deep. He says he will be compelled to await a rise or running out of the old channel. The Arkansas draws about 13 feet of water. No more free delivery routes will be established until after July 1st. The appropriation for the fiscal year has been exhausted and other routes cannot be put into operation until after July 1st.

Eulogies on the life and good deeds of the late Bishop Hurst were pronounced at his funeral this afternoon by his conferees on the board of bishops of the M. E. Church. Previous to the funeral, private services were held at Cedarcroft, where the bishop died last Monday. The family and a few intimate friends then accompanied the remains to the church. The services at the church were in charge of Rev. Mr. Bristow, pastor. Two of the favorite hymns of the departed bishop were sung by the quartet choir of Metropolitan Church after which addresses were made by Bishop Fowler, of Buffalo, and by Bishop McCabe, of Omaha, who succeeded Bishop Hurst last December as Chancellor of the American University. The interment was made at Rock Creek Cemetery.

Major-General Baden-Powell, who recently returned to England from a visit to this country, cabled Adjutant-General Corbin today as follows: "Newspaper reports of my criticisms of the American cavalry entirely untrue. Letter follows." The distinguished English soldier was reported to have said that the American cavalry were inferior to those of his country in physique.
Another important piece of news in connection with the investigation of the irregular practices in the Postoffice Department has developed. It was learned that a \$3,000 glass front coupe automobile, bought for Postmaster Van Cott, of New York, has been added to the mass of evidence tending to establish the charge of extravagance against the salary and allowance division of the department under the management of George W. Beavers, who resigned his post shortly after the investigation began.

THE DOCTORS.—Sectional meetings kept the delegates to the American Medical Association busy at New Orleans, yesterday. There were seven meetings in the forenoon and a dozen in the afternoon. Dr. Adolf Lorenz was a conspicuous figure at the section of surgery and anatomy. He was immediately recognized upon entering the hall and introduced by Chairman Moore. He was cordially applauded and briefly expressed his acknowledgments. Dr. Lorenz says he is simply there as a visitor, with no desire to appear as a participant.

The Southern Medical Colleges Association has elected Dr. Christopher Tomkins, of Richmond, president, and Dr. G. C. Savage, of Nashville, secretary-treasurer, and selected Birmingham for its next place of meeting. Milwaukee will make a strong bid for the next convention of the American Medical Association.
Dr. Adolf Lorenz performed two operations yesterday in the Charity Hospital. Both were cases of club foot. The amphitheatre of the hospital was crowded with local physicians and visiting delegates to the American Medical Association.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Mr. Cleveland denies the statements attributed to Mrs. Cleveland that she hoped her husband would not be nominated because she would dislike to return to public life.

The Pennsylvania diocese of the Protestant Episcopal Church placed itself on record by an overwhelming vote yesterday as opposed to the proposition to change the name of the church.

It is reported that some opposition has developed in Colombia to the Panama canal treaty and the outlook for the ratification of the treaty by the Colombian Congress is not considered encouraging.

The republican subcommittee of the finance committee will meet at Hot Springs, Va., in order to draft a new finance bill on the lines of the one introduced by Senator Aldrich at the last session of Congress.

Yesterday was a disappointing day for the cup defense sloop at Glen Cove, R. I. Notwithstanding, C. Oliver Iselin's best efforts to bring the Reliance in conflict with the Columbia for another brush, the lack of wind prevented him.

Governor Beckham, of Kentucky, at the request of the county judge of Breathitt county, has offered \$500 reward for the apprehension and conviction of the unknown assassin of J. B. Marcan. This is the highest reward permitted by law.

Strong disapproval of the views of ex-President Cleveland on the race problem is expressed by Rev. J. W. Hood, of Fayetteville, N. C., Presiding Bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church in the United States, who is in Bridgeport, Conn., to attend the New England conference.

By a decision of the county surrogate in Buffalo, N. Y., yesterday, Mrs. Alice Hull Burdick will get the custody of her three children. The surrogate declared null and void the provision in Mr. Burdick's will which directed that the children should be under the guardianship of his executors.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Mr. Philip H. Trout, one of the wealthiest residents of Staunton, died yesterday, aged 66 years.

Mrs. John H. Good, a young married woman, has mysteriously disappeared from her home, near Honeyville, Page county.

There is talk in Richmond of Delegate William H. Boaz, of Albemarle, as the next democratic candidate for Treasurer of the State.

Safe blowers made an attempt Wednesday night to blow the safe of the Bank of Amherst. The safe was badly damaged, but the robbers secured no valuables.

A good roads meeting was held at Manassas on Wednesday. All of the magisterial districts were represented by C. A. Heineken, of Gainesville district, was chosen president of the good roads organization.

Dr. George W. Hunton died at his home in Warrenton yesterday afternoon, aged 77 years. He was suffering from a prolonged case of asthma. He was a brother of Gen. Eppa Hunton, sr., and an uncle of Eppa Hunton, jr.

Mrs. W. T. Snyder, wife of the manager of the Southern Business College, of Charlottesville, died yesterday after an illness of only two days. She was in the thirty-first year of her age. She was a Miss Jamieson, of Montreal, Canada.

The Henrico county coroner yesterday reported the result of his autopsy to the coroner's jury, and the jury returned a verdict that W. H. Beveridge came to his death from natural causes. The police were working on the theory that his death was caused by a blow received in an assault ten days ago.

The strike of the union carpenters, 200 in number, at Newport News, promises to assume more serious proportions. The contractors have given the carpenters until Monday to return to work, when, if there is no response, outside men will be engaged. It is stated that a sympathetic strike of all unions in the city will follow.

At the sixteenth annual convention of the Virginia Funeral Directors' Association held in Richmond yesterday, the officers selected were as follows: President, George W. Kurtz, of Winchester; Vice-Presidents—R. W. Baker, Suffolk; F. W. Townes, Danville; C. W. Alexander, Waynesboro; C. L. Morris, Petersburg; W. J. Morrisett, Manchester; Secretary, L. T. Christain, Richmond; Treasurer, James Perley, Charlottesville.

ANOTHER MARINE DISASTER.

The American fishing schooner Gloriana, Capt. George Stoddard, of Gloucester, Mass., ran ashore during a thick fog on the cliffs of Whale Cove, near White Point lighthouse, Nova Scotia, Tuesday night, and fifteen of the crew, including the captain, were drowned out of a total of eighteen. The high seas broke over the vessel, and she swung broadside on the ledges and commenced pounding heavily. Lines were thrown ashore from the schooner several times, but they were either broken or torn from their fastenings on the rocks by the surging of the vessel. Four of the crew jumped overboard and attempted to swim ashore, but they were caught in the breakers, dashed against the rocks, and killed in the attempt. The others, who were on the vessel, took to the rigging and clung there while their strength lasted, but the enormous seas were more than they could battle against, and one by one they were swept away. The three survivors who had made their way to near-by rocks spent a terrible night. When daylight dawned, they saw one man still clinging to the rigging, and made their way to the mainland for assistance. The people on shore hurried to the scene of the wreck, and the man was taken from the rigging, but he was dead. The place where the Gloriana was wrecked is one of the most dangerous on the Nova Scotia coast. It is less than a mile of where the steamer Blaandam was totally wrecked last year, and only a half mile from the scene of the wreck of the steamer Tiber in February, 1902, when twenty-two lives were lost.

A train on the Illinois Central Railroad was wrecked at Harding's station, Ky., at one o'clock this morning. Engineer Sheegog, fireman Manion, and Cesar Hicks, colored, flagman, were instantly killed. The wreck was caused by running over a mule, throwing the engine and several cars down an embankment. Conductor Durban went down with the wreck, but was not injured.

LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

It looked last night as if the Campbell case will be reopened, and a committee of five members from the House and five from the Senate will hear the charges against the Amherst county judge and his defense. The Senate discussed the case for several hours yesterday, holding two sessions for the purpose, but reached no conclusion. The case is the special order for today. There are indications that the McIlwaine report, providing for a joint committee to reopen the case, will be adopted. Senators Cogbill and Claytor urged that the House resolution for removal be concurred in; but Messrs. Opie, Harvie and Watkins spoke vigorously for the McIlwaine report.

Today Senator McIlwaine will argue for the adoption of his report, and it is probable that a vote will be reached.

The Senate passed the bill to increase the State appropriations to the volunteer militia from one-half to three-quarters of 1 per cent, and also the mineral tax bill, after defeating all amendments offered. The bill providing for a crop pest commission was also passed, as well as the Phillips relief bill to reimburse a contractor for losses incurred in furnishing supplies for the restoration of the University of Virginia.

The Senate passed by the joint resolutions looking to adjournment. It refused to agree to the House amendments to the bill in relation to the preservation of certain useful birds. The House having agreed to a new conference, the president appointed the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Messrs. Halsey, Keozel and Walker.

HOUSE.

The House passed a number of bills designed to adapt the laws to the new Constitution.

The bill of Mr. Davis amending the law in relation to employees' liens on the property of transportation, mining and manufacturing companies was passed, after vigorous opposition. The effect of the bill is to wipe out the law which provided for supply liens, though no change is made in mechanics' and employees' liens.

The subcommittee of the House committee on general laws of which Mr. Caton, of Alexandria, is chairman, yesterday completed the draft of the bill concerning the right of eminent domain. The new statute on this subject is necessitated by the change in the State Constitution. The old law provided for compensating the owner of land actually taken by condemnation. The new law not only compensates for land actually taken, but also for damage to his property as a result of taking a part therefrom, and to owners of adjacent property for incidental damages. The bill was drafted by Mr. Caton and is a carefully drawn paper of twenty pages or more. It will be offered in the House today.

CAMERON CLUB HORSE SHOW.

The first annual horse show of the Cameron Run Hunt Club, which inaugurates the season of the Virginia Horse Show Association, will be held on the grounds of the Cameron Run Club, Alexandria county, on Saturday, and the indications are that a large crowd will be present.

Prominently connected with the Cameron Run Club is Mr. Courtland H. Smith, whose hunters made a clean sweep last Saturday at Chevy Chase. Mr. Smith is master of hounds and will enter several horses. The committee on arrangements is composed of Messrs. Alvin O. Porter, D. N. Rust, jr., Charles R. Hoof, jr., Paul V. Porter, and Courtland H. Smith. Mr. D. N. Rust is secretary, and has charge of the stabling and of the carriage space around the ring.

To be eligible for the Cameron Run Club show horses must be owned by members of that club or any other recognized hunt club, or must be owned by residents of Virginia, Maryland, or the District of Columbia.

Many prominent Washingtonians have expressed their intention of entering their horses, while a still larger number are making preparations to drive over for the day. The performance will begin at 10 o'clock and continue throughout the afternoon.

The following classes will be judged: Farmer class—Best pair heavy draft horses shown in harness, to be owned by bona fide farmers who reside in Alexandria or Fairfax counties; no entrance fee will be required in this class; first prize, \$25; second prize, \$10.

Horse and runaway—Horses to count 75 per cent; runaway and appointments to count 25 per cent.

Pair of horses—Over fifteen hands, to be shown to an appropriate vehicle. Tandem—The wheeler to be fifteen-two, or over.

Four-in-hand—Wheeler to be fifteen-three, or over.

Combination—Shown in harness and then under saddle by driver.

Hacks—Fifteen hands and over, to be shown at a walk, trot, and canter.

Roadsters—Best gentlemen's roadster. Heavy-weight hunters—Performance 50 per cent, conformation 50 per cent.

Light-weight hunters.

Green hunters—For hunters that have never won a blue ribbon in a jumping contest.

Ladies' hunters.

Thoroughbred hunters—Must be registered in studbook.

Corinthian class—Open to all hunters; to be ridden in "hunt colors" by members of recognized hunt clubs.

Championship—For hunters; heavy, middle, and light weights having won first at this or Chevy Chase show, 1902 or 1903.

GOOD ADVICE.

The most miserable beings in the world are those suffering from Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint. More than seventy-five per cent. of the people in the United States are afflicted with these two diseases and their effects: such as Sour Stomach, Sick Headache, Habitual Constipation, Palpitation of the Heart, Heart-Burn, Water-Brist, Grawing and Burning Pains at the Pit of the Stomach, Yellow Skin, Coated Tongue and Disagreeable Taste in the Mouth, Coming up of Food after Eating, Low Spirits, etc. Go to your Druggist and get a bottle of August Flower for 25 or 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you. Try it.

A little life may be sacrificed to a sudden attack of cramp if you don't have Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil on hand for the emergency.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

The Sackville-West Scandal.

London, May 7.—In the Chancery court today, Ernest Henri Jean Baptiste Sackville-West, who has for years claimed to be the eldest son of Lord Sackville-West, formerly British Minister to Washington, by the latter's marriage to Josephine Duran de Ortega, in 1884, either in France or Spain, sought to obtain an order in support of his claims to the title and estates of Lord Sackville-West. The defendants denied the marriage referred to, and also denied the validity of any ceremony if one had taken place. When Henry Sackville-West brought suit in Madrid to prove that he is the legitimate son of Lord Sackville-West, the latter admitted that the claimant was his son, but said that he was the offspring of a married woman, with whom he had a liaison in Madrid. This woman's name was Papita Duran, and she was a dancer. Lord Sackville said she was married to a dancing master when he met her. The claimant says that his mother was legally married to Lord Sackville-West, and that the marriage register was changed so as to make it appear that she had married a dancing master. Henri Sackville-West's counsel explained that the plaintiff had been unable to bring his claims to trial during the life time of Lord Sackville-West and asked for the appointment of a commission by the court to examine witnesses in order to perpetuate their testimony. Justice Kekewich granted the application.

Killed at the Threshold of Her Home.

Medford, Mass., May 7.—Miss Nellie Sturtevant, daughter of James S. Sturtevant, treasurer of the Medford Cooperative Bank, was shot and killed by an unknown man as she and her parents were about entering their house at 11:20 last night. Mr. and Mrs. Sturtevant and their daughter were returning from a meeting at the bank and just before they reached the front door a man suddenly sprang out from behind a bush and pointing a revolver at Mr. Sturtevant, said: "Hold up your hands."

Miss Sturtevant instantly sprang forward and struck the man over the head with an umbrella. He turned on her, and putting his revolver almost in her face fired at her point blank. The bullet entered her forehead and she died an hour later. The man seized her bag, in which there was only \$10, jumped on a bicycle, and fled. Less than two hours afterward, the Boston police arrested Tommaso Lombardo, an Italian, who is suspected of being the murderer. Lombardo was arraigned this morning, and held without bail until next Tuesday.

The Metropolitan Handicap.

New York, May 7.—Morris Park, America's ideal race track, will open this afternoon with the running of the Metropolitan Handicap, worth about \$18,000. Twenty-three starters have been named to go, which guarantees possibly eighteen horses to go to the post. William C. Whitney's double entry, Gunfire and Leonora Loring, will probably be favorites in the betting at 3 to 1. For second choice, the selections appear to be August Belmont's Masterman and John Hackett's Yellow Tail, at 6 to 1. Besides the Metropolitan, the Juvenile stakes for two year olds and the Meadowbrook Steeplechase are events of interest. The indications are for fair weather and a fast track, and if these conditions prevail, it is expected that 40,000 people will witness a record breaking race.

Negro's Terrible Experience.

Jackson, Miss., May 7.—John Rawlins, a negro, has been sentenced to life imprisonment here for criminal assault. Rawlins has had the unique experience of having been captured by a mob, ridged with bullets and strung up to a tree. He was taken from the custody of the sheriff of Sunderson county, while being taken to jail and preparations made to kill him. After being strung up to the branch of a nearby tree the mob fired 15 shots at him. A number took effect, and one of the bullets cut the rope. He was believed to be dead, and the mob dispersed. He was picked up by negro sympathizers, who nursed him back to health. He was then rearrested and today's conviction followed.

Objects to Royalty Holding Command.
Stockholm, May 7.—In the Swedish Reichstag today democratic deputy Herr Heidin caused a sensation by attacking members of the royal family. Herr Heidin offered a resolution that no prince of the royal house should be permitted to hold command in the army; also that those princes now holding commands should be deprived of their rank. He declared that members of royal families who hold commands in armies are always frauds and humbugs because their advance is too rapid for them to properly learn the science of war. The resolution was finally rejected, the vote being 123 yeas to 90 nays.

Murdered and House Robbed.
Lancaster, Pa., May 7.—Isaac Strickler, an eccentric old man who lived in a secluded cabin near Mount Joy, this county, was found dead this morning in front of his house, with a bullet wound in his breast. The indications are that Strickler was summoned outside his home and murdered. His cabin was then ransacked for treasure, but it is not known whether any booty was secured. There is no clue to the murderers.

Woman Killed by Boy.
New Orleans, May 7.—Frank R. Smith, a 17-year-old boy, and a member of a prominent local family, shot and killed a negro woman, Fannie Avery, at his home last night. The negroes had been making herself objectionable because she had been discharged and advanced upon the boy with a knife. He fired to save himself.

THE MACEDONIAN TROUBLES.—A dispatch from Salonica says an engagement is reported to have occurred at the village of Vanitza between Turkish troops and a Bulgarian band, in which 60 Bulgarians, including their leader, Deltzeff, were killed, while the Turks had four men killed and three wounded. Thirty houses in Vanitza were burned. A Bulgarian band led by Petroff has been routed at Krastepaza. Seven of the Bulgarians were killed. A number of dynamite bombs were captured in Salonica and martial law was proclaimed there Tuesday. The battleships Sadegna and Francesco Morosini, the cruiser Carlo Alberto and the torpedo cruiser Calatani, of the Italian navy, have arrived at Salonica.

Advices received at Vienna from Salonica say that, notwithstanding the fact that hundreds of Bulgarians have been arrested, street fights are constantly taking place. Women and children, especially young girls, take prominent part in these disturbances. It is asserted that bomb outrages have been planned in all the towns of Macedonia. Bombs have been discovered in houses at Uskub, European Turkey, where the Turkish population is greatly excited, fearing a massacre.

The Market.

Georgetown, May 7.—Wheat 77.62.

FOREIGN NEWS.

On the London stock exchange today the Transvaal loan bonds were quoted at 1 1/2 per cent premium.

Dr. Lorenz, the famous Austrian physician, was forced to leave the operating table at the Charity Hospital in New Orleans this morning on account of illness.

The strike of the dock laborers at Marseilles, which was declared several weeks ago, has been settled. All the men resumed work this morning.

The prospectus of the loan of \$175,000,000 to the Transvaal was made public in London today. It provides for the issue of the loan at par and to bear 3 per cent. interest. The bonds will be redeemable in 1893.

Pope Leo today received with much satisfaction the collection of presidential messages which had been forwarded to him by President Roosevelt. The collection was sent by Mr. Roosevelt as a present to the Pope.

On account of the disturbed state of affairs in European Turkey, France has decided to send a naval division to Salonica. Three ships of the Mediterranean squadron have been ordered to leave Toulon for that port immediately.

A dispatch states that the Kabyle tribesmen have engaged in a battle with the imperial troops near Fez. After ten hours of fighting the imperial troops were defeated. Both sides lost heavily. As reinforcements were not forthcoming the rebels were unable to press the advantage they had gained.

Shamrock III, left Goarock Bay this morning for her first trial spin since the accident a few weeks ago, in which she lost mast and sails. Shamrock I, which will act as the trial horse, started immediately after the challenger. The prospects of a spirited race are not good, as only a light northeasterly wind prevails.

Admiral Prince Henry of Prussia has started on what is expected to be his last cruise before his retirement from sea duty. He is commanding the battleship squadron, which is manoeuvring off Cherbourg. On his return, it is thought, he will retire from the sea, except that he will be fleet commander during the manoeuvres in August, and September next.

Count Harold Auzay, brother of the Duke of Auzay, residing in New York, attempted suicide at Toulon today by shooting himself with a pistol. A letter which he had addressed to his brother, was found in his room. In it, he said: "I am the victim of a cabal who have been attempting to poison myself and wife. I prefer dying rather than be condemned by appearances which are against me, although I am guiltless."

Cardinal Martinielli, former Apostolic delegate to the United States, and now a member of the Congregation of Rites, declared today that he had succeeded in inducing the Pope to choose Rev. Father Charles H. Colton, for the vacant bishopric of Buffalo, N. Y. He also announced that Father Colton's appointment would be decreed on Tuesday. Rev. Father Colton is at present rector of St. Stephens Church in New York city.

The girl baby born to the former Crown Princess Louise, of Saxony, at Lindau, Bavaria, will remain with its mother for a few weeks and will then be removed to Dresden. The former Crown Princess weeps continually, bemoaning the unhappiness awaiting her daughter, owing to the circumstances attending the child's birth. The Crown Prince of Saxony burst into tears when he learned that a girl had been born to his former wife Louise. It is said that she wrote repentantly to the Prince and the latter replied in kindly terms.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEVITIES.

A freight wreck is reported on the Erie & Pittsburgh railroad near Middlesex, Pa. Several persons are reported injured.

The New England Brick Company has closed three yards at Gonic, N. H., because of labor troubles, high freight rates and oversupply.

The Montreal union of longshoremen has been advised that the Liverpool, England, union longshore men will not handle any cargo loaded in Montreal by non-union men.

Father Walser dodged the responsibility of attempting to identify Frank Kennedy, the suspect under jail sentence in Sandusky, O., for carrying concealed weapons.

President Roosevelt climbed on the engine at Victorville, Cal., and rode to the top of the divide today. The locomotives in this part of the line use oil for fuel, and the President was much interested to see how the trainmen use it.

General Bristow, Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, has caused the arrest at New Orleans, of Penner B. Baker, of Okolona, Miss., charging him with an attempt to bribe. Baker wanted the famous Indianapolis postmaster ship, with the New Albany, Miss., office as second choice, and is alleged to have offered General Bristow three hundred dollars to secure either place.

A novel charge was presented against George H. Belcher, a well-known saloon keeper of New Haven, Conn., this morning, when he was arrested by the United States authorities charged with passing counterfeit money into a slot gas meter of the New Haven Gas Co. It was alleged that Belcher put two counterfeit quarters into the meter. He is out on bail for a hearing before the United States Commissioner, May 16.

Dr. Stephen H. Rice, a well-known young physician of Memphis, Tenn., committed suicide at one o'clock yesterday by shooting himself through the right temple. It is believed that the suicide is the result of his being led by Miss Kathryn Carnes, daughter of General S. T. Carnes, and one of the leading society girls of Memphis.

Legal proceedings will soon be begun in Chicago with a view to enforcing a stockholder's liability of \$20,000,000 against the promoters of the Union Traction Company, and the original subscribers to its capital stock. The litigation which promises to be sensational will have many prominent men in the East and West as defendants.

Three men, armed with revolvers, held up the saloon of Wm. M. King, in Chicago, last night, while half a dozen patrons were drinking at the bar. They got \$500 in negotiable checks, a watch and chain and \$100 from the proprietor. Hidden behind the bar was a cigar box containing \$1,000 which the thieves overlooked.

Lee Stiles, aged 12 years, the youngest burglar ever arraigned in the Chicago criminal court, stands out little show of securing his freedom. The Court after hearing the testimony, decided that Lee was probably guilty of a burglary which would have done credit to the ingenuity of an old timer.

A raid was made in New Orleans today on a rendezvous of alleged lottery ticket counterfeiters. Much paraphernalia was secured and Webster Stereant, Henry C. Neilson and Sigmund Muller were arrested. They have been printing tickets purporting to be issued by the Mexican Lottery Company.

The congregation of the Livingstone Avenue Church, at New Bridge, N. J., last night burned the mortgage on the church property for \$7,000. A movement has been started by pastor Sears to put in a bowling alley and to make other improvements in the church at a cost of \$10,000.

Miss Annie Martin, 43 years old, was fatally burned last night, at her home in Johnstown, N. Y., by the explosion of an oil lamp. She was found in the bath tub where she had turned on the water in an attempt to extinguish the flames. Her death occurred early this morning.

The Publishers' Press has completed arrangements with the De Forest Wireless Telegraph Company for the exclusive use of their system for reporting the international yacht races.

RIVAL STEAMBOAT COMPANIES.—The fight of the Weems Steamship Company and the People's Steamship Company for the trade on the Rappahannock river, one phase of which is now pending in the Federal Court in Richmond, was taken to the General Assembly yesterday, when a bill was offered in the House providing that all chartered steamship companies may use wharves abutting in Virginia waters. It stipulates that the user of the wharf shall be liable to the owner for reasonable wharfage charges. The Weems Company claims the ownership and leasehold of nearly all the wharves on the Rappahannock between Fredericksburg and Urbana, and it seeks